

## S 1171

### Tax Parity for Health Plan Beneficiaries Act of 2011

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**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Taxation

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**Latest Action:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance. (Jun 9, 2011)

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## Sponsor

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Sen. Sanders, Bernard [I-VT]	I · VT		Sep 10, 2012
Sen. Leahy, Patrick J. [D-VT]	D · VT		Sep 11, 2012
Sen. Shaheen, Jeanne [D-NH]	D · NH		Sep 13, 2012
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Sen. Coons, Christopher A. [D-DE]	D · DE		Sep 19, 2012
Sen. Reed, Jack [D-RI]	D · RI		Sep 19, 2012
Sen. Feinstein, Dianne [D-CA]	D · CA		Nov 13, 2012

## Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Finance Committee	Senate	Referred To	Jun 9, 2011

## Subjects & Policy Tags

### Policy Area:

Taxation

## Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
112 HR 2088	Identical bill	Jun 6, 2011: Referred to the Subcommittee on Health.

Tax Parity for Health Plan Beneficiaries Act of 2011 - Amends the Internal Revenue Code to: (1) exclude from an employee's gross income employer-provided accident and health plan benefits extended to a domestic partner or non-dependent, non-spouse beneficiary eligible to receive such benefits under an employer plan (i.e., "eligible beneficiary"); (2) exempt such benefits paid to eligible beneficiaries from otherwise applicable employment and unemployment taxes; (3) allow self-employed individuals a tax deduction for the health insurance costs of their eligible beneficiaries; (4) allow tax-exempt voluntary employees' beneficiary associations to provide sick and accident benefits to the domestic partners and non-dependent, non-spouse beneficiaries of their members; (5) allow reimbursement of the medical expenses of an eligible beneficiary from a health savings account (HSA); and (6) extend tax-exempt medical benefits to the eligible beneficiaries of retired employees

Directs the Secretary of the Treasury to provide guidance relating to reimbursements from a flexible spending arrangement and a health reimbursement arrangement attributable to an eligible beneficiary as defined by this Act.

### **Actions Timeline**

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